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granting the deviation, consistent with FAR 1.402. The contract file shall include a copy of the request submitted and the approval. In emergency situations involving individual cases, deviation approvals may be processed by telephone and later confirmed in writing

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#### 2401.404 Class deviations.

For deviations which affect more than one contracting action, proposed deviations from the FAR or HUDAR shall be submitted to the Senior Procurement Executive for approval or other necessary or appropriate action. Requests for deviations shall be supported by statements which fully disclose the nature of the deviation and the need there of. The Senior Procurement Executive will consider the proposal on an expedited basis and in the case of a proposed FAR deviation will comply with FAR 1.404.

 $[49~{\rm FR}~7697,\,{\rm Mar.}~1,\,1984,\,{\rm as}~{\rm amended}~{\rm at}~51~{\rm FR}~7948,\,{\rm Mar.}~7,\,1986]$ 

### Subpart 2401.6—Career Development, Contracting Authority, and Responsibilities

2401.601 General.

# 2401.601-70 Senior Procurement Executive.

The Chief Procurement Officer is the Department's Senior Procurement Executive and is responsible for all Departmental procurement policy, regulations, and procedures. The Senior Procurement Executive is also responsible for the development of HUD's procurement system standards, evaluation of the system in accordance with approved criteria, enhancement of career management of the procurement work force, and certification to the Secretary that the Department's procurement system meets approved criteria.

 $[57\ \mathrm{FR}\ 59787,\ \mathrm{Dec.}\ 15,\ 1992,\ \mathrm{as}\ \mathrm{amended}\ \mathrm{at}\ 64\ \mathrm{FR}\ 46094,\ \mathrm{Aug.}\ 23,\ 1999]$ 

# 2401.601-71 Office of Procurement and Contracts.

The Office of Procurement and Contracts, within the Office of the Chief

Procurement Officer, including its Field Contracting Operations, is responsible for all Departmental procurement.

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#### 2401.602 Contracting Officers.

# 2401.602-3 Ratification of unauthorized commitments.

(b)(1) Policy. A request for ratification shall be sent to the Contracting Officer through the Head of the Contracting Activity (HCA). The request will include an explanation as to the need for the service, the reason why normal procurement procedures were not followed, to what extent price competition was received or the price otherwise justified, and, corrective management actions to avoid ratifications in the future. If the justification is adequate, the ratification will be signed by the Contracting Officer and forwarded to the HCA or designee for approval.

(b)(3) The HCA may delegate authority to approve ratifications below the simplified acquisition threshold to:

- (i) Contracting division directors (Headquarters); or,
- (ii) Contracting branch chiefs (Field). (c)(5) Legal concurrence may be requested if there is a legal issue involved, e.g. the propriety of the funding source, appropriateness of the expense, etc.

 $[60~{\rm FR}~46154,~{\rm Sept.}~5,~1995]$ 

# 2401.603 Selection, appointment and termination of appointment.

#### 2401.603-2 Selection.

In selecting Contracting Officers, the appointing authorities shall consider the experience, education, training, business acumen, judgment, character, reputation and ethics of the individual to be appointed. The appointing authorities shall also consider the size and complexity of contracts the individual will be required to execute and/ or administer, and any other limitations on the scope of the authority to be exercised. In the area of experience, education and training, the following shall be required, unless contracting authority is limited to simplified acquisition procedures:

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- (a) Experience, for appointment of an individual to a position having Contracting Officer authority, shall consist of a minimum of two years experience performing contracting, procurement or purchasing operations in a government or commercial procurement office. Alternatively, where appointment of a Contracting Officer involves a specialized procurement field, experience in that field may be considered as a criterion for the appointment.
- (b) Educational requirements for an individual in a position having Contracting Officer authority shall be, as a minimum, the equivalent of a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or institution preferably with major studies in Business Administration, Law, Accounting or related fields. Experience related to the field of procurement involved (e.g., supply construction, etc.), gained in a government or nongovernment contracting office, may be substituted for educational requirements when it is determined in writing and made a part of the appointment files (as stipulated in 2401.603-3(b)) that a potential appointee is otherwise qualified by virtue of extensive contract-related experience or training.
- (c) Training courses as prescribed by the Senior Procurement Executive.
- (d) The selection requirements specified in paragraphs (a) through (c) of this section are applicable to all personnel whose primary duties are performed as a Contracting Officer.

[49 FR 7697, Mar. 1, 1984; 49 FR 10930, Mar. 23, 1984, as amended at 57 FR 59787, Dec. 15, 1992; 64 FR 46094, Aug. 23, 1999]

# 2401.603-3 Appointment.

(a) Appointments to officials not expressly delegated procurement authority by a published departmental delegation of authority shall be made in writing by the Head of the Contracting Activity. The Certificate of Appointment (SF 1402) shall constitute the appointing official's determination that the appointee meets the selection requirements set forth at 2401.603–2.

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# PART 2402—DEFINITIONS OF WORDS AND TERMS

Sec.

2402.000 Scope of part.

#### Subpart 2402.1—Definitions

2402.101 Definitions.

AUTHORITY: 40 U.S.C. 486(c); 42 U.S.C. 3535(d).

## 2402.000 Scope of part.

This part contains definitions of terms used generally throughout the HUDAR, in addition to those set forth in FAR part 2. Additional definitions will be found in individual subparts of the FAR and HUDAR covering terms used in those subparts only.

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### Subpart 2402.1—Definitions

### 2402.101 Definitions.

Accounting Office means the Office of Accounting Operations within the Office of the Chief Financial Officer and includes that Office's field components.

Chief Procurement Officer means the HUD official having authority for all of the Department's procurement activities.

Department means the Department of Housing and Urban Development, which may also be designated as HUD.

Government Technical Monitor (GTM) means the individual responsible for assisting a Government Technical Representative in the latter's performance of his/her duties.

Government Technical Representative (GTR) means the individual serving as the Contracting Officer's representative responsible for monitoring the technical aspects of a contract, including guidance, oversight, and evaluation of the Contractor's performance and deliverables.

Head of Contracting Activity (HCA) is defined in accordance with the FAR. The following HUD officials are designated HCAs:

- (1) Director, Office of Procurement and Contracts, for HUD Headquarters procurement; and
- (2) The Directors, Field Contracting Operations, for field procurement.